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REPLY & AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

Commissioner:

Applicants previously submitted a Reply & Amendment after Final, dated August 04, 2006, in response to the Office Action dated February 08, 2006. As the Amendment was not entered, Applicants' submission herewith is based on that of August 04, 2006, and, accordingly, is in response to the Office Action of February 08, 2006.

Enclosed is a Request for Continued Examination in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal on August 04, 2006. Please extend the period of time for response one month, to expire on November 04, 2006. Applicants herewith submit payment of the requisite fee for a one-month extension of time, as well as the requisite fee for the above-referenced Request for Continued Examination.

Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.